



**Environmental Health & Safety**  
**Water Recreation Rule Revision Update**  
**Chapter 246-260 WAC**  
**February, 2004**

ACTIVITY	EXPECTED TIMELINE	DATE COMPLETED
File CR101	November 2000	November 2000
Brief SBOH on proposed rule delegation	October 2000	October 2000
SBOH decides to retain authority	November 2000	November 2000
Brief SBOH on rule revision process	January 2001	January 2001
Rule drafting with Water Rec. Task Force	January 2001- December 2002	December 2002
Brief EH Directors on proposed rule changes	March 2001	March 15 2001
Public Workshops and public comment period	December- March 2003	March 2003
Water Rec. Task Force assist staff in revising draft	April-June 2003	June 2003
DOH Staff complete work on required analyses	October- December 03 & January 04	February, 2004
Brief SBOH	March, 13, 2004	
File CR102	March 2004	
SBOH Public Hearing	May 2004	
File CR103	May 2004	
Workshops and training on rule implementation	June-August 2004	
Rule Effective	September 2004	

### **Purpose**

This rule revision will:

- Reorganize the entire chapter to improve readability and use
- Add specific requirements in lifeguarding, barriers, emergency equipment, and
- Add greater flexibility for new innovations at pools and reducing application of regulations on spas smaller motels or B&B's.

### **Recent Issues and Activities**

- Draft documents for significant analysis and SBEIS are completed.
- Preparing for telephone conference with Task Force on reviewing regulation document.
- Preparing documents for CR102.

### **Next Steps**

- Supporting materials being developed for SBOH Briefing in March

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